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SUBJ: TARIFF AND NTM INFORMATION FOR THE MTN

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1. THE ECON OFFICER DISCUSSED SRI LANKA TARIFF AND NON-TARIFF MEASURES WITH J.R. SAMARANAYAKE, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, ON JUNE 12.

2. ACCORDING TO SAMARANAYAKE, THE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION OF NOVEMBER 1977 IS THE MOST RECENTLY PUBLISHED FULL TARIFF SCHEDULE, BUT THE GOVERNMENT'S TARIFF REVIEW COMMISSION HAS SUBSEQUENTLY MADE A NUMBER OF MODIFICATIONS. HE PROMISED TO PROVIDE THE ECON OFFICER WITH A LIST OF THE TARIFF CHANGES MADE SINCE NOVEMBER 1977. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, COPIES OF THIS LIST WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE FAR EAST DIVISION, OFFICE OF COUNTRY AFFAIRS/BIERP AND MTN GENEVA.

3. SAMARANAYAKE REVIEWED THE TARIFF ITEMS IN THE U.S. INDICATIVE LIST OF TRADE INTERESTS FOR SRI LANKA AND SAID HE

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THOUGHT ALL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS HAD BEEN REMOVED ON THESE ITEMS AS PART OF THE IMPORT LIBERATIZATION OF LAST NOVEMBER. HE INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD HAVE ONE OF HIS STAFF DOUBLE CHECK HIS OPINION AND WOULD INFORM THE ECON OFFICER IF ANY OF THE LISTED ITEMS WERE STILL SUBJECT TO LICENSING CONTROLS. LEVIN

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